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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
HOUSTON DIVISION

3) CASE NO: 22-60043-cml
4 FREE SPEECH SYSTEMS LLC,) Houston, Texas
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6 Debtor.) Tuesday, May 21, 2024
7) 1:00 PM to 1:45 PM
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9) CASE NO: 22-33553-cml
10 ALEXANDER E. JONES,)
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12 Debtor.)
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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

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1 case with the exception of the ESG. I think the ESG, I read
2 the response, Mr. Patterson. You don't need to respond to
3 that. I saw that you had to file it. That wasn't a
4 response. I think, I think what -- that, I can address,
5 that seems like an easy answer in that case. And I saw Mr.
6 Cicack filed a motion for an interpleader. That matter
7 should be resolved, but I'll make the call on that and I
8 don't -- that one won't be hard for me at all based upon
9 what I'm reading. I think I can keep that one, but I think
10 Free Speech is a Subchapter V case. It has been pending for
11 two years.

12 Subchapter V is far different than Chapter 11.
13 That case is either going to be confirmed on the 14th or I'm
14 going to dismiss it. I'm not converting that case. That
15 case is not, in my mind, -- and people can try to convince
16 me otherwise -- it's time, it's just time. And you all are
17 going to have to let me know what you're going to do. But
18 this case, we would just be keeping a case open for the sake
19 of operating it. People have state law rights. Free Speech
20 is continuing to operate. We're now going to have to take
21 up 523 actions, which means that a Subchapter V case would
22 proceed, quite frankly, potentially even until 2025. I'm
23 not doing it. Free Speech is either going to get dismissed
24 or confirmed on the 14th and I'll give everyone the
25 opportunity to try to convince me otherwise, but that's the